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SUBJ: CHAD LOCAL PURCHASE SCHEME

REF : A. NDJAMENA 0163

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1. DESCRIPTIVE PROJECT PAPER AND DRAFT LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OSRO AND GOCHAD SENT AID/W (KELLY) JANUARY 30. DOCUMENTS BEING CARRIED TO NDJAMENA BY SICILIANO, TO BE USED THERE AS WORKING PAPER BASIS FOR NEGOTIATION WITH GOC. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS SUBJECT TO FIRM CANADIAN POSITION, (OR ALTERNATIVE CONTRIBUTION) DABELL'S READING JANUARY 29 IS THAT CANADA LIKELY PARTICIPATE BUT TO LIMIT FIRST ELEMENT TO \$300,000 WITH LINE OF CREDIT UP TO \$1 MILLION SHOULD EXPLO-RATORY PHASE OPERATE SUCCESSFULLY.

2. PLAN AS ARTICULATED DOES NOT CLAIM TO BE THOROUGH CHARTER RECOGNIZING NECESSITY FOR OPERATIONAL INNOVATIONS. GOVERNMENT TO UNDERTAKE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN GIVING DETAILS ON PRICE AND PROCEDURAL ARRANGEMENTS. COLLECTION OF SACKS BY PREFECTS ALREADY BEGUN. IN SELECTED CANTONS SOUS PREFECTS WILL ADVANCE SOME CASH AND SACKS TO TRADITIONAL CHIEFS. CULTIVATORS TO BE PAID CASH ON DELIVERY. GOVERNMENT WILL ESTABLISH TIMETABLES FOR DELIVERY OF CEREALS TO 3 BUYING/ORGANIZING/ UNCLASSIFIED

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CONSOLIDATION CENTERS. CEREALS TO BE DELIVERED NDJAMENA

AND THENCE TO DEFICIT AREAS. 13 OSRO PROVIDED TRUCKS AND TRAILERS TO BE USED. IN DEFICIT AREAS THESE CEREALS, WHICH ARE PREFERRED TO IMPORTED VARIETIES, WILL BE SOLD, FUNDS DEPOSITED IN CEREALS OFFICE ACCOUNTS FOR USE IN MEDIUM TERM PROGRAMMING (IMPORTED CEREALS TO BE USED FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION OR CONCESSIONAL SALES). PLAN PROVIDES FOR DAY TO DAY INVOLVEMENT OF CHAD'S ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS, FDAR/CEREALS OFFICE, FAO AND WFP TECHNICIANS AND AMERICAN PEACE CORPS.

3. DRAFT LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING FDAR TO SUPERVISE AND OPERATE PROGRAM, CERTIFY(WITH FAO/OSRO OR WFP COUNTER-SIGNATURES) QUANTITIES AND QUALITY DELIVERED NDJAMENA, ESTABLISH WORKING CAPITAL IMPREST FUND, CONTRIBUTE CFA 4 MILLION AND 5 TRUCKS, PROVIDE WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORTS TO UNDP RES REP INCLUDING ARRIVALS IN NDJAMENA AND IN SELECTED DEFICIT AREAS. PAYMENT FROM OSRO CONTRIBUTION ON BASIS OF ITEMIZED STATEMENTS OF EXPENDITURES FOR PURCHASE TRANSPORT AND OPERATIONAL (INCLUDING PERSONNEL) COSTS, CERTIFIED BY WFP REPRESENTATIVE. WFP AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE UNDER WFP PROJECT OFFICER LEADERSHIP. AS WRITTEN, BUDGET CALLS FOR \$471,581 CONTRIBUTION FOR PURCHASE, HANDLING, TRANSPORT, DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES UP TO 3000 TONS, SUBJECT TO RECEIPT CONTRIBUTIONS AS WELL AS APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS IN CHAD.

4. PLAN IS TO ASSIGN MATTHEY, WFP OFFICER FORMERLY IN CHAD BUT NOW IN ABIDJAN, TO CHAD TO SUPERVISE THE OPERATION, WITH HELP AS REQUIRED FROM DIFURIA, ETC. (REF C).

5. PRESENT INTERPRETATION OF ARRANGEMENTS WITH WFP IS THAT IT FALLS CONSIDERABLY SHORT OF THE "OPERATING ARM" CONCEPT (REF D PARA 3). RATHER, WFP WILL HELP PROVIDE THE PERSONNEL AND OSRO WILL ASSUME OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY. VOLPE

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